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TAGS: OVIP, SP (KISSINGER, DR. HENRY A.)

SUBJ: TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR SECRETARY'S VISIT TO MADRID

REF: STATE 236977

1. FOLLOWING PRESENTATION DEC 4 OF TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR SECRETARY'S VISIT TO MADRID PURSUANT REFTEL, EMBOFF DISCUSSED PROGRAM FURTHER WITH MFA DIRECTOR GENERAL OF NORTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS (PERINAT) DEC 5 AND 6. PERINAT ADVISED THAT GOS CONSIDERED TIME AVAILABLE IN PROPOSED PROGRAM WAS TOO SHORT FOR THE IMPORTANT DISCUSSIONS THAT SPANISH EXPECTED TO HAVE WITH SECRETARY AND THAT AMB SAGAZ WAS BEING INSTRUCTED TO CONVEY THIS POSITION TO THE DEPARTMENT.

2. EMBOFF NOTED THAT SECRETARY WAS OPERATING UNDER VERY TIGHT TIME PRESSURE, PURSUING EXHAUSTIVE SCHEDULE OF ATTENDING NAC MEETING, VISITS TO A NUMBER OF MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES AND INTENSE EFFORTS FOCUSED ON MIDEAST SITUATION, BUT THAT MADRID WAS NONETHELESS INCLUDED IN ITINERARY. PERINAT RESPONDED THAT THERE WERE FOUR US BASES IN SPAIN AND IMPORTANT MATTERS TO TAKE UP IN MADRID AS WELL. EMBOFF COMMENTED THAT IMPORTANCE SUCH MATTERS REFLECTED BY INCLUSION OF MADRID IN PROGRAM, EVEN THOUGH SECRETARY'S TIME AT THIS JUNCTURE WAS SEVERELY LIMITED BY IMMEDIATE PRESSURES OF MIDEAST SITUATION. EMBOFF DOUBTED THAT TIME FRAME FOR VISIT COULD BE ALTERED AND PROPOSED
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THAT WITHIN THIS FRAME FOLLOWING PROGRAM MIGHT BE FEASIBLE:

1210: ARRIVE BARAJAS-MAKE ARRIVAL STATEMENT
1220: LEAVE BARAJAS
1250: ARRIVE PARDO-MEET WITH GENERAL FRANCO
1315: LEAVE PARDO
1325 ARRIVE ZARZUELA-MEET WITH PRINCE JUAN CARLOS
1345: LEAVE ZARZUELA
1405: ARRIVE PRESIDENCY-MEET WITH PRESIDENT CARRERO BLANCO
1430: LEAVE PRESIDENCY
1440: ARRIVE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS-WORKING LUNCH
AT MINISTRY
1700: DEPART MFA
1715: ARRIVE U.S. EMBASSY-GREET STAFF
1730: DEPART EMBASSY
1745: ARRIVE BARAJAS- MEET WITH PRESS
1800: DEPART MADRID

3. IN DISCUSSIONS DEC 5 AND 6, PERINAT CONVEYED SPANISH DESIRES INCLUDE IN PROGRAM CALLS ON FRANCO, PRINCE, AND PRESIDENT AND WORKING SESSION WITH SECRETARY FOLLOWING LUNCHEON. AS APPROPRIATE TIME ALLOCATIONS, HE SUGGESTED HALF HOUR FOR FRANCO AND HALF HOUR FOR PRINCE, AND HOUR FOR PRESIDENT, HOUR AND HALF FOR LUNCHEON FOLLOWED BY TWO HOURS WORKING SESSION AT FOREIGN MINISTRY. (THIS CONTRASTS WITH HYPOTHETICAL PROGRAM IN PARA 2 PROVIDING FOR ABOUT 15-20 MINUTES EACH WITH FRANCO, PRINCE AND PRESIDENT, AND TWO HOURS AND TWENTY MINUTES COMBINED LUNCH AND WORKING SESSION WITH FOREIGN MINISTER). TO CARRY OUT SUCH PROGRAM, SPANISH PROPOSED THAT SECRETARY ADVANCE ARRIVAL TO 0900 OR DELAY DEPARTURE TO 2100. WHILE REITERATING DOUBT RE: FEASIBILITY ALTERING TIME FRAME FOR VISIT, EMBOFF SAID HE WOULD CONVEY SPANISH PROPOSAL TO WASHINGTON.

4. EMB WILL SUBMIT MORE SCENARIO DETAILS FOLLOWING DEPARTMENT REPLY TO GENERAL PROGRAM PROPOSED BY SPANISH. WE ENVISAGE THAT IN CALLS ON FRANCO, PRINCE AND PRESIDENT, SECRETARY WOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR AND ONE OR TWO OTHER PERSONS IN SECRETARY'S PARTY AND THAT THERE WOULD BE A CORRESPONDING NUMBER ATTENDING ON SPANISH SIDE, BUT SUCH DETAILS WILL HAVE TO BE WORKED OUT WITH SPANISH WHEN OUTLINES OF PROGRAM ARE SETTLED, AND WHEN WE HAVE MORE INFORMATION FROM WASHINGTON
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